

Date: 02/11/2021

To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Academic 2021/22 Report #14

Dear Council,

I hope you have all been doing well. Since I was on vacation all of last week, this report will be slightly shorter than usual. Please ask me any questions you have during the question period!

SRA Summit

The SRA Summit is just around the corner! The topic for the Summit will be Isolation, Community, and Mental Health! I won't divulge too much information about the sessions, but I will say that it has shaped up to be a very hands-on and interactive weekend which I'm extremely excited about! I look forward to sharing a debrief with all of you on how it goes.

CoFA and the Teaching, Learning, and Evaluation Policy Suite

On October 27th, John Nychka (Vice Provost Learning Initiatives) and Wendy Rogers (Deputy Provost) came to CoFA Senior Board to present the new UAPPOL Teaching, Learning, and Evaluation Policy Suite. For those of you who may not know, CoFA stands for Council of Faculty Associations, and the Senior Board is where all of the Faculty Association Presidents sit! It was an amazing discussion around USRI (now being called SPOT) Policy and what students want most out of the SPOT survey to make it worthwhile and accessible for students to fill out for their instructors.

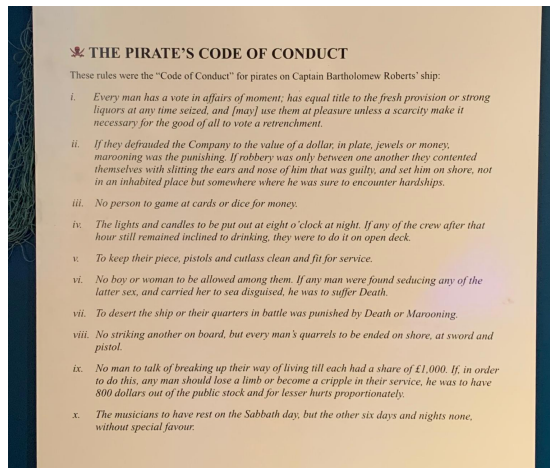
October GFC Meeting

On October 25th, GFC had its second meeting of the fall semester. Here is a little breakdown of what was discussed, and if you have any questions please let me know:

- Decommissioning of the Student Housing Policy from the GFC Policy Manual
- Changes to GFC Guiding Documents (Basically the roles and responsibilities of GFC members and meeting procedures.
- Some great questions were asked about the upcoming EDI student census the Uni will be running.
- Dr. Florence Glanfield presented the Universities Institutional Indigenous Strategic Plan, and some great questions were asked about the strategies in that document.
 - I asked a question about whether not having Maskwa House has had a negative impact on support for indigenous students. She said that delivery of services hasn't been impacted, only a lack of space to expand delivery.

Vancouver Trip!

If any of you were interested, here are some pics from my trip last week!



Top Left: Jellyfish, Top Right: Giant Sea Turtle, Bottom Left: Rowan on a Ship Bottom Right: The Pirate Code of Conduct

Cheers,

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